WO-367
St. Luke's Methodist Church
Snow Hill vicinity
Private

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## HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource	Name: ST. LUKE'S METH	ODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
MHT Inve	ntory Number: W0-367	
MARYLAND	COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PR	ESERVATION PLAN DATA:
1)	Historic Period Theme(s):	ARCHITECTURE RELIGION
2)	Geographic Orientation:	EASTERN SHORE
3)	Chronological/Developmenta	al Period(s):
4)	Resource Type(s):	URBAN/INDUSTRIAL DOMINANCE 1870-1901
	•	Church

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DOE \_\_yes \_\_no

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historic	ST. LUKE'S METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH				
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street & number	r St. Luke's R	o a d		not for publication	
city, town	Snow Hill	_x_ vicinity of	congressional district	First	
state	Maryland	county	Worcester		
3. Clas	sification				
Category  district X building(s) structure site object	Ownership  public private both Public Acquisition in process being considered not applicable	Status occupied unoccupied work in progress Accessible x yes: restricted yes: unrestricted no	Present Use agriculture commercial educational entertainment government industrial military	museum park private residence religious scientific transportation other:	
4. Owr	ner of Prope	erty (give names an	nd mailing addresse	es of <u>all</u> owners)	
name	Trustees of St.	Luke's Methodis	t Church		
street & number	St. Luke's	Road	telephone n	ю.:	
city, town		state	and zip code		
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courthouse, regi	istry of deeds, etc.	Worcester County	Clerk of Court	liber	
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city, town	Snow Hill		state	MD 21863	
6. Rep	resentation	in Existing	Historical Surv	reys	
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## 7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	_	
excellent _X good fair	deteriorated ruins unexposed	unaltered _X altered	original sit	te date of move	

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

St. Luke's Methodist Episcopal church is located on the east side of St. Luke's Road approximately eight miles northwest of Snow Hill, Worcester County, Maryland. The single-story, rectangular frame church faces west with the gable roof oriented on an east/west axis.

Built in 1901, this rectangular single-story, gable-front frame church is supported by brick piers, and the building is sheathed with vinyl siding. The steeply pitched roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Standing on the north side of the church is a single story frame social hall.

The west (main) elevation is a three-bay facade with a center double door entrance and flanking pointed arch window openings. The windows, the entrance transom, and a diamond shaped gable end window have been boarded over. Fixed in the southwest corner of the brick pier foundation is a marble datestone inscribed, "St. Luke M. E. Church 1901." The eaves to the roof are slightly extended with small decorative brackets in the lower corners.

The north and south side elevations are largely alike with three pointed arch window openings in each side. Like the front, the windows have been boarded over. Rising through the roof are interior side brick chimney stacks.

The back of the church or the east end is marked by a three-sided apse with pointed arch window openings in two sides.

The interior was not seen.

The single-story church hall next door is a weatherboard frame structure covered by a low pitched tin roof. A minimal brick foundation supports the building, and large sized boarded over openings mark each side. A board door is centered on the west gable end.

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Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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11. F	orm Prepared	By		
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